



BEARFACTS 1991 – 2001

Beaufort , South Carolina [45013]

Beaufort is one of 46 counties in South Carolina. It is part of the Hilton Head Island-Beaufort, SC Micropolitan SA. Its 2001 population of 124,740 ranked 12th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Beaufort had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$34,230. This PCPI ranked 1st in the state and was 137 percent of the state average, \$24,981, and 112 percent of the national average, \$30,582. The 2001 PCPI reflected an increase of 5.5 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.3 percent and the national change was 2.5 percent. In 1991 the PCPI of Beaufort was \$20,928 and ranked 1st in the state. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.0 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.4 percent and for the nation was 4.4 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2001 Beaufort had a total personal income (TPI) of \$4,269,797*. This TPI ranked 8th in the state and accounted for 4.2 percent of the state total. In 1991 the TPI of Beaufort was \$1,883,693* and ranked 11th in the state. The 2001 TPI reflected an increase of 7.8 percent from 2000. The 2000-2001 state change was 3.3 percent and the national change was 3.5 percent. The 1991-2001 average annual growth rate of TPI was 8.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.8 percent and for the nation was 5.6 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Beaufort. In 2001 net earnings accounted for 54.6 percent of TPI (compared with 57.5 in 1991); dividends, interest, and rent were 33.5 percent (compared with 32.6 in 1991); and personal current transfer receipts were 11.9 percent (compared with 9.8 in 1991). From 2000 to 2001 net earnings increased 7.6 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 6.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 12.2 percent. From 1991 to 2001 net earnings increased on average 8.0 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 8.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 10.6 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Beaufort increased from \$2,585,350* in 2000 to \$2,764,514* in 2001, an increase of 6.9 percent. The 2000-2001 state change was 2.6 percent and the national change was 3.1 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1991 estimate of \$1,256,364* to the 2001 estimate was 8.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.3 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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